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SUBJ: QATARI INITIATIVE FOR MANPOWER COOPERATION AMONG GULF
STATES (OR LACK THEREOF); VENUE OF ARAB LABOR MINISTERS'
CONFERENCE IN QUESTION

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(ALL NOTAL)

1. AMBASSADOR AND EMBOFF CALLED ON GOQ MINISTER OF LABOR AND
SOCIAL AFFAIRS ALI ANSARI FOR DISCUSSION OF QATARI INITIATIVE
ON MANPOWER COOPERATION IN GULF AND OTHER LABOR DEVELOPMENTS.
ANSARI NOTED THAT WHILE SOME FORM OF COOPERATION ON MANPOWER
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AFFAIRS AMONG GULF STATES WOULD CERTAINLY BE BENEFICIAL,

THERE HAS BEEN LITTLE PROGRESS IN THAT DIRECTION. IN RESPONSE TO SPECIFIC INQUIRY ABOUT QATARI INITIATIVE TO FURTHER COOPERATION, ANSARI SAID HE HAS HAD SOME INFORMAL CONVERSATIONS ON SUBJECT WITH OTHER GULF LABOR MINISTERS BUT NO CONCRETE PROPOSALS HAVE THUS FAR EMERGED. ANSARI SAID HE MAY RAISE ISSUE AT MARCH CONFERENCE OF ARAB LABOR MINISTERS.

2. RE CONFERENCE, ANSARI SAID IT IS SCHEDULED TO BE HELD MARCH 6-16 IN NOUAKCHOTT. HOWEVER, HE SAID HE HAS RECEIVED CABLES FROM LABOR MINISTERS OF EGYPT, SYRIA AND IRAQ SUGGESTING THAT VENUE BE CHANGED TO CAIRO DUE TO PRESENT SITUATION IN SPANISH SAHARA. ANSARI STATED THAT HE IS OF OPINION MAURITANIANS SHOULD BE CONSULTED ON ANY EFFORT TO SHIFT MEETING FROM NOUAKCHOTT AND HAS ACCORDINGLY CALLED IN MAURITANIAN AMBASSADOR TO QATAR TO INFORM HIM OF SITUATION. RE ATTENDANCE AT CONFERENCE, ANSARI NOTED THAT SAUDIS WOULD BE PRESENT FOR FIRST TIME SINCE SAG NOW MEMBER OF BOTH ALO AND ILO; HE TOOK CREDIT FOR HELPING PERSUADE SAUDIS TO JOIN BOTH ORGANIZATIONS.
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